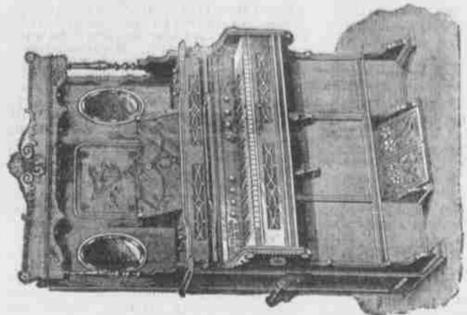


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Pitiful Scene at the Funeral of Harry Hayward.

HOW THE MURDERER MET DEATH

A Remarkable Display of Coolness and Nerve as he Looked His Last Upon Earth—He Was the Least Affected of Any Man Present.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 12.—At the simple burial service over the remains of Harry Hayward yesterday afternoon, at Lakewood cemetery, there occurred a most tragic incident. The ceremony was held in the little chapel at the cemetery, and was attended by a very few friends and the members of the family, Adry included.

After the words of scripture and prayer Mrs. Hayward desired to place some flowers on the casket, and supported by her son, Dr. Thaddeus Hayward, and her husband, advanced to do so. She walked around the head of the coffin, stroking caressingly as she did so. When she had arrived at the right hand side of the bier, she hesitated. In response to a signal from her Thaddeus and her husband loosened their support of her and she stood alone.

She raised her clinched hands and broke forth in a low moaning tone: "Poor, dear Harry! My baby boy! My dear baby boy! God has forgiven him! Poor, dear Harry! Poor, dear Harry! Be brave, mother; be brave and strong! The chains bind me, but they can't chain my soul! I come again! Poor, dear Harry! My baby boy!"

With this the mother half turned and started toward where Adry sat. In front of Adry she stopped and lifting his face in her hands said: "Tell him I've forgiven him, mother!"

Her reproachful tones echoed in the silent room. Scarcely half crazed, the bereaved mother turned from her elder boy to where her youngest lay, and fell fainting into the seat near by. Harry's parents had expected to make their son a last visit during Tuesday afternoon, but strength and courage failed them. The old father, whose whole frame shakes with palsy, is a pitiable object, but his mental condition is not so bad as might be expected. The mother has borne up remarkably well, but those who know her best fear for her reason.

Hayward's demeanor at his execution was a remarkable exhibition of coolness and nerve. Debonair as ever, what had seemed mere offhandness during his jail days now became, in the great dimly lighted gallows room, the indifference of a man who was, at least, not afraid to die. Not a man of the little group of privileged spectators, but whose heart thumped more loudly and importantly than that of one who was so soon to cease its beating, not a face but turned more ghastly than his in the gruesome light.

"Good evening, gentlemen," said he in clear tones, as he bowed his way into the room, wearing his somber garb so jauntily that its grotesqueness was forgotten. As he made his way up the stairs to the scaffold he tripped on the unaccustomed girth. This amused him, and he laughed at the first step. As he strode upon the trap the deputies looked more like frightened children hanging to a parent than officers of law. Harry Hayward might have passed for a figure of justice defending the weak instead of a murderer going to his doom. Carefully placing his feet on the marked spots he drew his splendid figure to its greatest height and glanced about with a calm face, occasionally brightened by a smile of recognition as he espied some friend in the crowd.

On being asked if he had anything to say, he replied in a careless, drawing tone: "Well, yes. There has been a good deal of curiosity and wonder at my action, and some of you think that I am a very devil, and if you all knew my whole life you would think so all the more. I have detested the full statement today of my life to Mr. Edward Goodsell, Mr. J. T. Mannix and a stenographer—let me see, what's that stenographer's name?" and Hayward peered down over the edge of his scaffold as if expecting some one to answer.

Thus he went on for some time, calling to several persons by name, and making some flippant remark to each. Then he spoke of the priests who had taken an interest in him, saying he held them in greatest respect, but "could not think as they would have him." Then he repeated a short prayer, in obedience, he said, to a promise he had made his lawyer; but there was no show of feeling. He said: "Oh, Lord, for Christ's sake forgive me my sins. Megarden, go ahead."

Thus he indicated to Deputy Megarden that he was ready to die. As the deputies put the rope about his neck he said: "Let me see, where does the knot go, under the right ear? No, it's the left, isn't it? Please, pull it tight. That's good. Keep your courage up, gentlemen. Pull her tight; I'll stand pat." Megarden stepped back, raised his hand in the fatal signal, and like a shot the body dropped through the opened trap. Death was instantaneous.

Late Tuesday night Harry had a reconciliation with his brother Adry, whom he so bitterly denounced last Sunday. It was easy to perceive that Harry's animosity was short lived.

It is supposed that the lengthy autobiography which Hayward dictated to a stenographer contains a full confession of the contents of other crimes, in which he has been involved, but the real facts will not be known until the statement is printed in book form. The book was an idea which occurred to Hayward only a day or two ago and it was his belief that it might be made profitable to his cousin, Goodsell. Accordingly, he dictated it at length to Court Stenographer Richard Mabey in the presence of Goodsell and Joseph T. Mannix, a reporter. These three are the only persons who know its contents, and, naturally, will divulge nothing.

COUNTY SEAT POLITICAL TALK

A Forecast of Appointments at the Almshouse and on "The Hill."

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTING.

It is Said Directors Dietrich and Middleton Will Make the Appointments.—The Martin-Allen Deal to be Repeated Again This Year.

Special HERALD Correspondence. POTTSVILLE, Dec. 12.—Much speculation is indulged in and many surmises are made just now in reference to the appointments to be made by the County Commissioners and the Board of Poor Directors. So many rumors are floating about that one feels like exclaiming, "Where am I at." There are a number of applicants, too, who feel the same way.

At the Poor House it is said Directors Dietrich and Middleton will organize, leaving Jacob Day, the other member of the Board, out in the cold. From present indications it would appear that this rumor is official, but the Directors themselves are non-committal. The present Board is composed of three Republicans, and if they appoint officials entirely from that party it will be something never before known in this county.

Steward Hartman has very wisely decided not to be a candidate for reappointment. His successor is said to be Gordon Ross, who is now holding the position of insane keeper, and was an appointee of Director Dietrich last year. John H. Reese, of St. Clair, the present hospital keeper, is anxious to succeed Clerk John F. Gressang, while Dr. Gray is to remain in his present position. Solicitor W. J. Whitehouse will not accept the position again, and S. Earl Edwards, Esq., who was defeated for the nomination of District Attorney and is at present solicitor for the Controller, is slated for the legal end of the deal. It is well known that John H. Reese is very close to Director Middleton and that he took a very active part in his nomination and subsequent election, and this makes his appointment to a position very certain. Whether it will be clerk or steward there seems to be some doubt. Middleton will name the majority of appointees north of the mountain, and Shenandoah is said to have a claim on him which he will acknowledge. Almshouse deals, however, are "mighty uncertain" and the next few days may make a big change.

While the manipulators of the Almshouse deals are at work on the slates, the farmers are taking a hand in its affairs in a different direction. Notices have been issued for a public indignation meeting to be held at J. S. Stout's hotel, in Friedensburg, on Saturday next. Farmers and taxpayers generally from Wayne, Washington, North and South Manheim townships, will be in attendance. At the meeting it is expected that stringent measures will be adopted demanding stricter economy in the management of the almshouse and a more judicious disposal of the public moneys and a reduction in the salaries of the employees.

In connection with the appointments on "the hill" by the County Commissioners, thereby hangs a tale. It is said the Republican Executive Committee has been "resolute" behind closed doors, and have made a demand upon the two Republican Commissioners to pull away from Mr. Martin and organize on a strict Republican basis. What Mr. Ulrich will say to this is not known, but his say is a pretty large sized one just now. The Executive Committee, I am further informed, have made the same demand upon Fredinatory Deagan. They want the Democratic appointees under the Martin-Allen deal and the Provisionary Democratic clerk removed and Republicans put in their places, and their motto appears to be to the victors belong the spoils.

There is much speculation here as to what will be the combination in the Commissioners' office. From the outside it looks very much like the old slate, with Allen and Martin forming the combine. I don't believe the efforts of the Executive Committee will result in changing this.

The rumor that John Ulrich will retire as Solicitor to the Commissioners is looked upon as a joke. Big John will pull the strings if Allen and Martin organize. The appointment of a Mercantile Appraiser is causing some trouble. There are about a dozen applicants, and outside of one or two they are all Democrats. This fact will likely cause Martin to allow Allen to name the appointees, to shift the responsibility. Calvin W. Brewer, it is said, will be asked to step down as warden of the prison. It would not be wise to place much faith in this rumor, with the party organization in the hands of the present managers.

For the next three weeks all kinds of rumors will float about, but in summing up the state of affairs as they exist at present at the almshouse and on the hill, the combinations appear to be Middleton-Dietrich at the former institution and Allen-Martin at the latter. F. L. N.

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Death of Benjamin Kantner. Benjamin Kantner, an aged resident of Mahanoy City, died at his home Tuesday night. Mr. Kantner was a former resident of this town. His son, Adam J. Kantner, still resides here. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon, interment being made here in the "Old Fellows" cemetery.

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